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### TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

It will be the earnest endeavor of The Review never intentionally to offend the feeling of anyone. Should an erroneous statement appear in the columns of this paper, call our attention to it, and if an error, due correction will be made and ample justice cheerfully accorded. The advertising columns of this paper are "for sale" at the regular office rates to unobjectionable matter.

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### LEGISLATIVE SESSION.

A Phoenix story is to the effect that Governor Hunt will soon convene the legislature, but notwithstanding this report there are those who believe that the executive will defer action in this matter until next winter and that when he calls the second extra session he will give it a wide scope for action, allowing it practically the same freedom to go into legislation as would have been the case had a new membership been chosen this fall. The message which will convene the extra session is expected to mention many subjects for legislative action.

It is known that the governor will again urge that capital punishment be abolished in the state. He recommended this to the former session, but it failed to meet approval and we shall expect to again see this law fail to pass.

While the Review believes that there are only an occasional crime deserving this extreme penalty it also believes that there are some which should call for death to the perpetrator. In Arizona a few years ago the law providing for capital punishment was amended so that whereas formerly a conviction for murder in the first degree called for a death sentence from the court, now the jury hearing the evidence may return a verdict of guilty of first degree murder and either fix the death penalty or life imprisonment. Here is protection for a defendant that may be able to show any extenuating circumstances, though proven guilty of the crime charged.

The Review desires that the legislature shall give all reasonable support to Governor Hunt in his earnest desire to carry on reforms in prison management, but trust that the fact will not be lost sight of that the history of the world shows that PUNISHMENT is a requisite for the prevention of crime.

### WILSON MAKES KNOWN HIS STAND.

An organized, united and enthusiastic force stands ready, the only united and militant force to which the people can turn with any prospect that they will be served promptly, effectively and upon a clear principle of action—the great democratic party, now at last solid and of clear purposes. To it all who are full of hope and of the vigor that makes tomorrow are flocking—the young men of the nation, the noble and devoted women who wish to see better days for their children and for all who are oppressed, the men who never grow old but always press forward to enterprises of the new age, all who desire free opportunity and love the public cause that is just and righteous and quick with the hopes of mankind. A great people is turning its face to the light not desiring a revolution, but loving the right and determined to set it up wisely, temperately, honorably, with prudence and patient debate, not in irritation or in haste, but like men, not like children. It is a great day and a propitious one. The responsibility is ours, and we shall assume it knowing what it means. The election of November 5 will enter in if we be true, a new day of confidence, freedom and prosperity. It will be no higganany triumph of a party or a faction, but the triumph of a people. The democratic party will be, not the selfish victor, but the

trusted instrument, and the years that follow will test every principle of the great republic. God grant that we shall be worthy to prevail.—(Woodrow Wilson's Address, November 2, 1912.)

### BUYING AWAY FROM HOME.

In a Boston financial newspaper we note that Sears, Roebuck and company, one of the greatest mail order houses in the world, increased the volume of business last month, over that of the previous month 48 per cent. It is stated that this company will probably score at \$75,000,000 as the total of their business volume for 1912 which would be a gain of \$15,000,000 over 1911. On last year's business the company after paying the dividend carried over a surplus of \$7,240,000.

Practically all the business of this and other mail order houses comes from those who believe that they can economize by making their purchases away from home, but when all the results of sending money away from home are reckoned we doubt if there is any material gain. There may be instances of economy, but when the entire mail order business is summed up in results and cost of package transportation is considered it is most likely that were goods bought at home this cost would be no more.

Mail order houses pay no taxes in the small communities where they receive most of their patronage; they take no interest in nor render any assistance when matters are proposed for the benefit of home towns where their patrons reside. It is different with the home merchants; he is a part of the life of the community where he does business, he pays his portion of the tax burden; he supports the schools, helps build the roads, chips in and helps all matters for advancement and better conditions. As such a member of the community he is a valuable asset and is deserving of patronage and often if he were given the opportunity he would be glad to fill orders that are made up from a mail order catalogue without investigating the opportunities for equally good bargains at home.

The mail orders have made millions in profit that should have remained at home to be applied to the rebuilding and development of home enterprises and industries.

### THE HIGH COST OF PEACE.

The present war in the Balkans has caused several commentators to make estimates of the amount which the nations of the world spend on armaments. One of these has figured that last year the great powers of Europe spent on warlike preparations considerably more than two billion dollars. Another has estimated that the present war debt of Europe is in excess of twenty-six billion dollars, bearing interest at the rate of about \$1,130,000,000 a year.

As the expense usually offered for maintaining large armies and navies is that they are necessary to the preservation of peace, it is clear that peace is becoming a very expensive luxury. Perhaps the expense would be more cheerfully borne by the mass of the people who bear it if it really guaranteed peace, but the spectacle of Europe in arms and in daily dread of a conflagration is far from reassuring.

## An Unpleasant Reminder



How much it is costing the world to try to be peaceful by the grace of trade balance in favor of the United States \$351,067,475.

These and other figures of the country's growth tell a story of prosperity which should not be disturbed and which we are sure will not be disturbed. Conditions are not ideal in any land on earth, but they are better here than anywhere else. There is undoubtedly something higher and nobler than material wealth. But the high and noble can be better brought out in one which is neither. It is because of the fact that the present prosperity of the United States is no highly a matter for satisfaction.

### THANKS TO ADVERTISERS

On behalf of Bisbee Lodge No. 671 the publicity committee desires to thank the business men of the district for the liberal support which they have given to The Mule Gulch News. Even more advertising than appears could have been readily obtained, but this would have meant the exclusion of news matter, and when the amount originally decided upon was obtained, efforts to get more display advertising ended. It is these advertisers who have made it possible for the Burn the Mortgage Bazaar to obtain the great publicity which it has had and will yet receive.

A Boston paper publishes some statistics which are of special interest to the readers of the Review, citing as it does the output of copper from the Warren district during the past five years. According to those figures the total output of all Phelps, Dodge and company, including that of the Moctezuma company in Mexico and the Detroit Copper companies in Greenlee county for last month was 15,165,070 pounds. For October of last year the total output 11,592,585 pounds and for October 1910 it amounted to only 10,000,740. Thus it will be seen that the P.D. companies have increased their monthly output more than two million pounds in two years. The output of the C. & A. company for last month was 1,104,000 pounds, not quite so much in October last year, but nearly half million pounds more than in October two years ago.

### A TIME OF PROSPERITY.

That the American people are drinking more whisky and beer and smoking more cigars and cigarettes than ever before is indicated in the tax returns received by the commission of internal revenue. This may not be a thing to boast about, in the opinion of a good many persons, yet it certainly is a proof of the country's prosperity. When times are hard the consumption of everything but the necessities of life always shows a marked falling off.

Taking into consideration the record-breaking exports of last year, the universal demand for labor, and the uniform reports of activity from all quarters and in all branches of business, it may safely be said that the present year has been indeed a bumper one. There is plenty in the bank; there is money in the banks, and even the uncertainties of the political outturn and the possibility of a general European war fail to exert a depressing influence.

During the last three years there has been a gain in our foreign trade of \$41,511,095, the total value of exports for the fiscal year ending June

## BELL TELEPHONE SYSTEM ADOPTS PENSION PLAN

A fund of \$10,000,000 for pensions, sick benefits and life insurance will be available on January first, for the 175,000 employees of the Bell System and associated interests, and their families and dependents, amounting altogether to more than a quarter of a million people.

This \$10,000,000 fund will be made good from year to year by annual appropriations on the part of the American Telephone and Telegraph company and associated companies, and the Western Union Telegraph company and the Western Electric company.

The plan for the distribution of this fund has been characterized as the most liberal, comprehensive and ideal ever inaugurated. President T. N. Vail has provided combined benefits for superannuation, sickness, accident and death, for an industrial army more than twice as large as the standing army of the United States.

This provision is made entirely at the expense of the various companies interested, without contribution of any kind from the employees themselves. The application of these varied benefits will be strictly democratic and will be for the benefit of all employees of every rank. This plan will provide for free change of employment from one company to another, with full credit for combined terms of service.

The Bell System and associated interests provide employment for about 175,000 people of this number 120,000 are employees of the Bell Telephone System. The total yearly pay for the whole group is about \$115,000,000, something over \$80,000,000 being paid out in wages by The Bell Telephone System alone.

The terms by which provisions are made for the needs of age, illness, accidents and death, may be summarized as follows: Pensions: Male employees who have reached the age of sixty years and who have been twenty years or more in service, may retire on pensions. They may be retired at the option of the company when they have reached the age of fifty-five years or more in service. The pension age of female employees is in each case five years younger than that of male employees. Any employee who has been thirty years in service, regardless of age, may be pensioned on the approval of the president of the company.

The amount of the pension is automatically based on the years of service and the amount of pay and will be 1 per cent of the average annual pay for ten years, multiplied by the number of years of service. Therefore, a man who had been thirty years in service would get 30 per cent of the average salary which he had been receiving during his last ten years of service. No pension will be less than \$20.00 a month.

Accident, Disability Benefits: In case of accidents occurring in and due to the performance of work for the company, the employee will receive for total disability, full pay for thirteen weeks and half pay for the remainder of disability, up to six years.

If the disability is temporary, he will receive full pay for thirteen weeks and half pay until able to earn a livelihood, not exceeding six years.

Sickness, Disability Benefits: Employees who are disabled by sickness or accident outside of the regular course of duty after ten years or more in service, will receive full pay for thirteen weeks; if from five to ten years in service, full pay for thirteen weeks and half pay for thirteen weeks; if from two to five years in service, full pay for four weeks and half pay for nine weeks. In case of employees who have not been two years in service, heads of departments will be permitted the same discretion as heretofore, in continuing pay during temporary illness.

Life Insurance: In the case of death resulting from accident in and due to performance of work for the company, an insurance amounting to three years pay, will be paid to the dependents of the employee, the maximum payment being \$5,000.00.

In the case of death resulting from sickness or from accidents outside the business, the payment will be one year's pay for employees who have been ten years or more in the service and one half of one year's pay for employees who have been from five to ten years in service, the maximum payment being \$2,000.00.

If any state statutes provide for more liberal compensation than is provided under the benefit plan, the statutory provision will prevail. Where the employees have legal rights, as in some accident cases, they will have the option of exercising such rights or accepting the company's benefits. The American Telephone and Telegraph company has set aside from its surplus a fund which provides for those whom it directly employs, and also provides a reserve upon which, under certain conditions, the associated companies may draw. This fund is supplemented by funds set aside by each company. The total appropriations will aggregate something more than \$10,000,000.00. The benefits, it is estimated, will cost annually about \$1,000,000.00 more than the present payments on this account.

The administration of the funds will be in the hands of employees benefit committee of five, to be appointed by the board of directors of each company. The committee of each associated company will have jurisdiction over the benefits for employees of that company.

The Employees Benefit Committee of the American Telephone and Telegraph company will have general jurisdiction over the plan for the en-

tire system and specific authority as to the American Telephone and Telegraph Company's employees benefits.

President E. B. Fiel of The Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph company announces that his company will adopt the plan January first. Mr. Fiel says this comprehensive and far reaching plan covering an employees benefit fund and pension and a form of disability and accident insurance has been adopted by a unanimous vote of the several presidents of the associate companies of The American Telephone and Telegraph company, in conjunction with the latter.

It will be noted that it covers the whole United States, benefiting some 175,000 employees, but I want to bring home the fact that it will become effective January first in the territory covered by The Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph company, operating in Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming, and will apply to about 6,000 employees engaged in the telephone business in those states.

There never has been adopted, in the history of pensions or benefits, a plan that is so far reaching, covering as it does, all employees from the highest to the lowest without discrimination.

I sincerely hope the public will grasp the underlying significance of this plan and how it has been possible to bring it about.

A thought along this line is particularly timely. Much has been said about combinations of capital and their effect upon public welfare, but I want to call attention to the fact that no such plan could possibly have been brought about except through a combination of financing such as that afforded by The American Telephone and Telegraph Company, and its associate companies. It is because of our association in this way that we are able to give our employees the financial protection that modern conditions seem to dictate. Since no expense whatever is borne by the employees in this connection, it takes an approved form of profit sharing in which all participate equally and which is particularly designed to protect the needy and unfortunate. It is with a great deal of gratification that I make this announcement.

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